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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

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The concise explanation of relevance for JP8-315723 can be found in U.S. Patent No. 5,905,335.

The concise explanation of relevance for JP10-334834 can be found in U.S. Patent No. 6,184,619.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

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A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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